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1. It is reported that Ambassador V.S. Senenov has instructed the SED Politburo to announce the formation of a government at the meeting of the People's Council which has been called for 7 October. This government of the "People's Democratic Republic of Germany" is likely to have the following make-ups:

President
Chancellor

Prof. Hermann Kastner (LDP)
Walter Ulbricht (SED) or
Otto Grotewohl (SED)
Wilhelm Pieck (SED)
Dr. Kurt Fischer (SED) or
Dr. Karl Steinhoff (SED)

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The last two are not ministries, but are to be directly under the chancellor.

2. [redacted] Wilhelm Pieck has launched a campaign of "spontaneous" resolutions from all elements calling for the formation of an all-German government.

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